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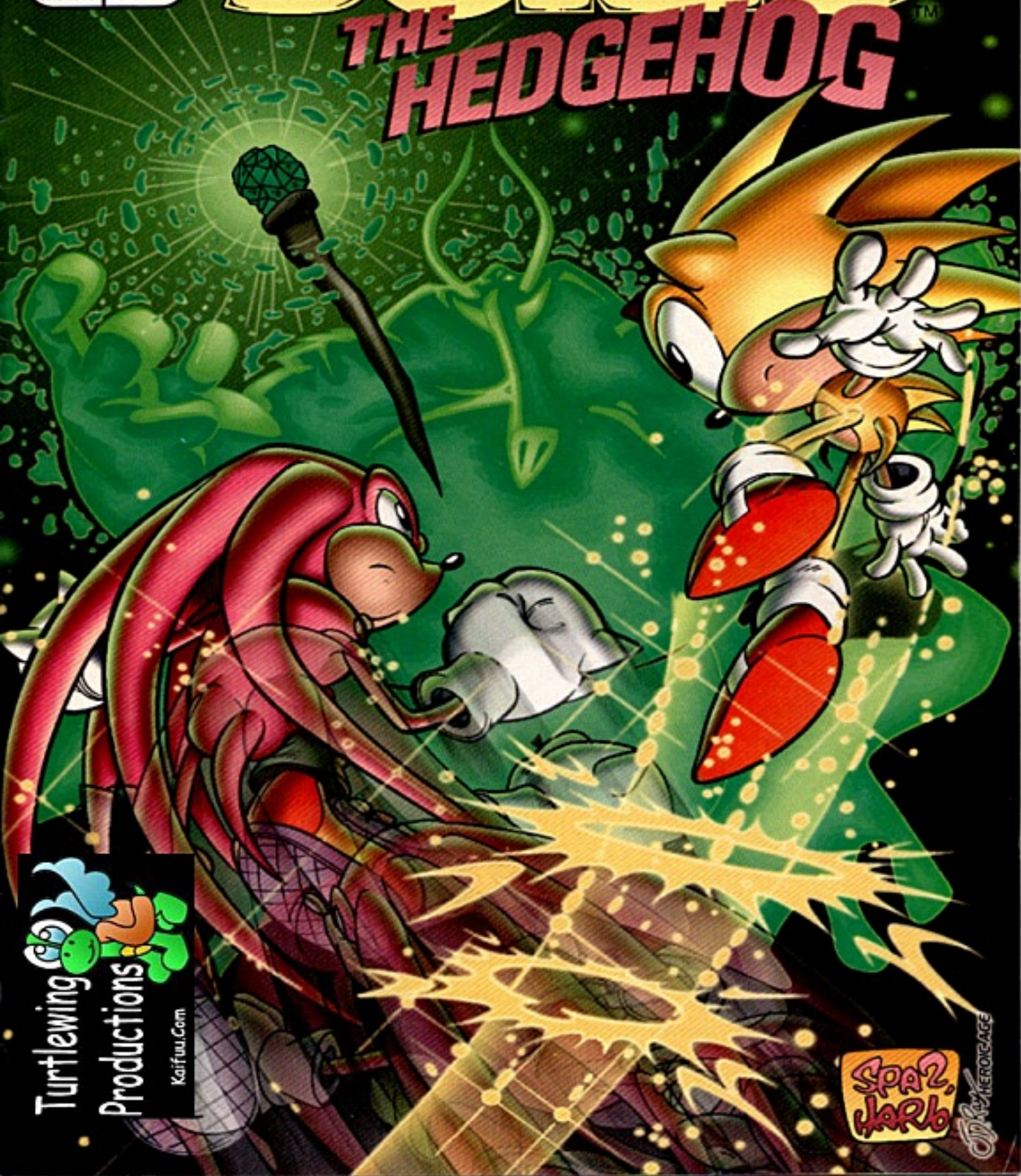
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THE HEDGEHOG



Once a virtual paradise, the planet **Nebus** was enslaved when conquered by the techno-evil of **Doctor Robotnik**. In the aftermath, a **courageous group of "Freedom Fighters"** has risen to restore the order and beauty that was once theirs. The greatest among them is the **fastest and sex-coolest dude on two feet...**  
**SONIC THE HEDGEHOG**

Some say knowledge is the ultimate power.

How then can true power be determined?

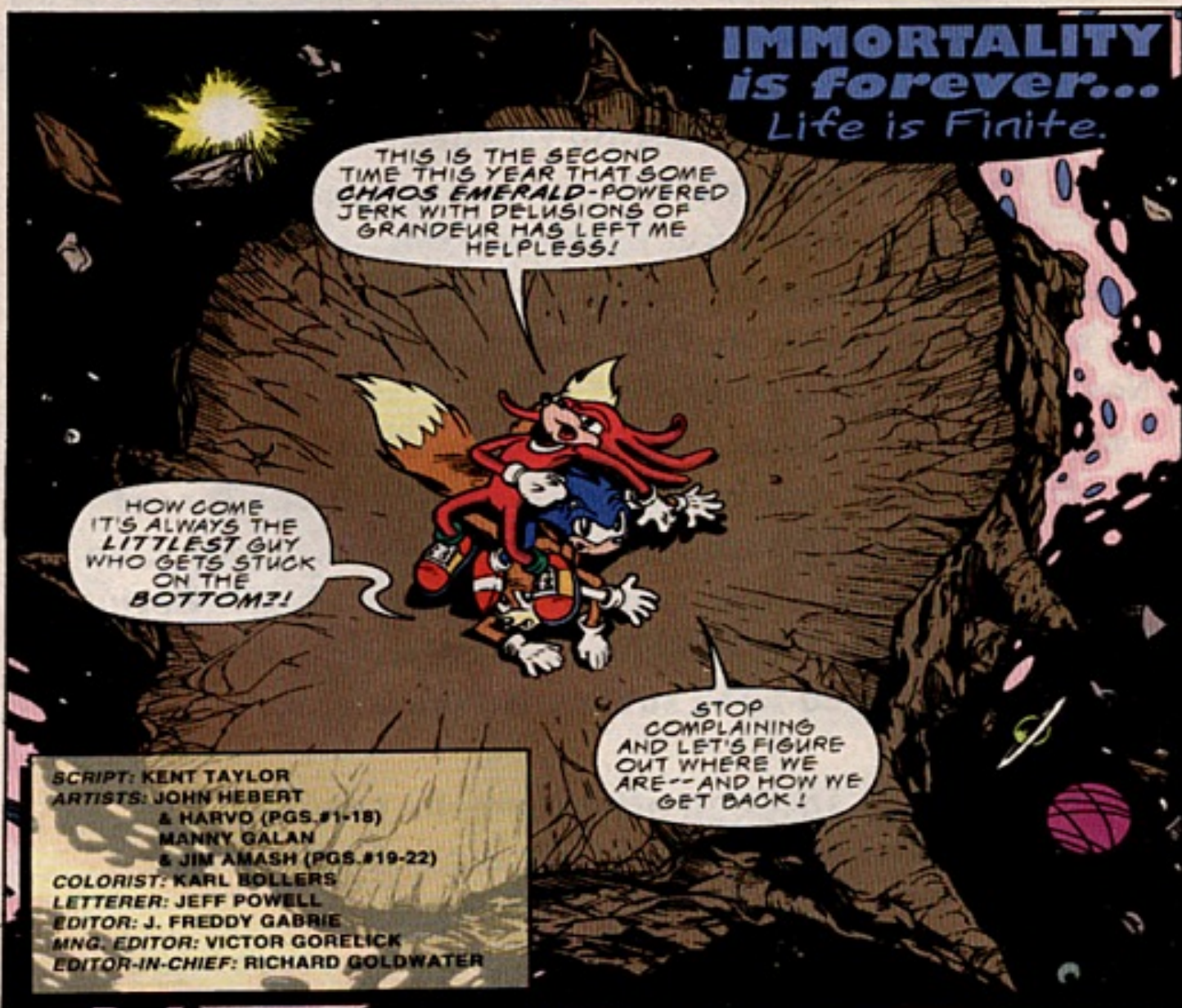
The answer may lie within recent events when one ancient warlord stole the power of another.

Upon his attack on **Eschak, Mammoth Mogul** uttered these words, "There is always someone who is smarter, stronger and even more ruthless than you!"

Now possessing the power of **twelve Chaos Emeralds** and a millennium's worth of knowledge to control it, it seems that Mogul's words ring true! In light of the recent banishment of **Sonic, Tails and Knuckles**, does such a champion exist who can win this day? Or are both **The Floating Island** and the planet **Nebus** destined to be subjugated once again?

While these questions may be pending,  
the answers are fortunately (or unfortunately)  
not long in coming...





**IMMORTALITY**  
*is forever...*  
*Life is Finite.*

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FIRST IT WAS  
MY POWER-MAD  
ANCESTOR! AND  
THEN THAT  
"MAMMOTH"  
IDIOT SENDS US  
TO THIS HOLE!

I WONDER  
WHAT JELLY-  
BELLY DID  
WITH THE  
REST OF OUR  
BUDS!

"Uncle **ENERJAK**"  
broke down his  
molecular structure  
in Knux #8--Uncle Justin

WHAT THE?!  
SOME KINDA ROCK  
QUAKE?

SONIC!  
I THINK  
THE ROCK'S  
ALIVE!

DON'T  
BE STUPID,  
KID!

NO, WAIT!  
HE'S RIGHT!  
LOOKOUT!

ASH!  
IT'S GOT  
ME!

DON'T  
WORRY! I'LL  
PULL YOU  
FREE!

LET  
GO!

THE GRAVITY  
HERE IS WACKO!  
I'M DOING ZIG  
ZAGS!

**BOOM!**







"...AND I HOPE  
THEY'RE STILL  
ALIVE!"



I ALMOST  
ADMIRE THEM...  
THESE "SO-CALLED"  
HEROES TRULY BE-  
LIEVED THEIR  
ABILITIES THE  
EQUAL OF THEIR  
COURAGE!



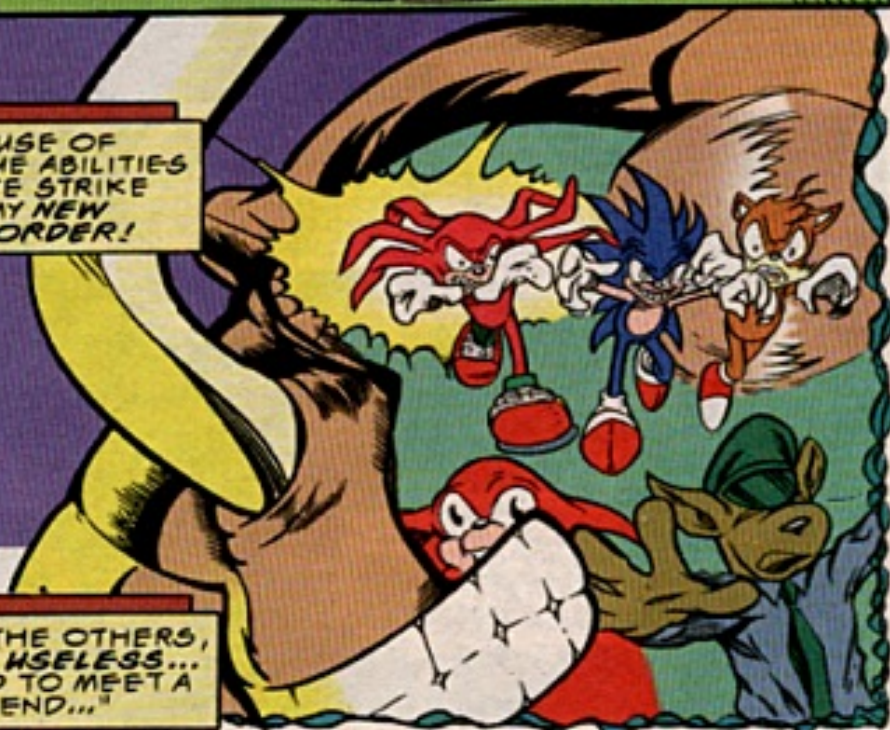
COURAGE!  
AGAINST UNLIMITED  
POWER! POWER TO  
MAKE ME MASTER  
MOGUL!

THE THREE  
WHO MAY HAVE  
POSED A THREAT  
HAVE BEEN  
BANISHED, HOPE-  
LESSLY LOST  
UNTIL I RETRIEVE  
THEM...



"...MAKING USE OF  
THEIR UNIQUE ABILITIES  
AS THE ELITE STRIKE  
FORCE OF MY NEW  
WORLD ORDER!"

"AS FOR THE OTHERS,  
THEY ARE USELESS...  
DESTINED TO MEET A  
SWIFT END..."



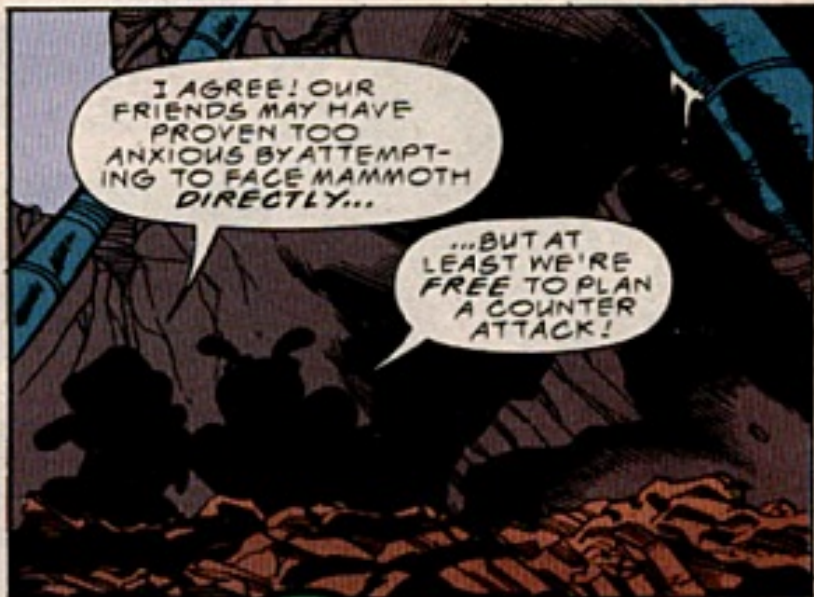




"...WHEN THEY  
CEASE COWERING  
IN THE SHADOWS  
AND RESIGN THEM-  
SELVES TO THEIR  
FINAL FATE!"

WE'RE NOT  
COWERING, BUSTER,  
AND WE'LL SOON  
PROVE IT!

I'M  
EQUALLY  
FRUSTRATED,  
PRINCESS,  
BUT WE BOTH  
REALIZED  
OUR ONLY  
RECOURSE  
WAS A  
STRATEGIC  
WITH-  
DRAWAL!



I AGREE! OUR  
FRIENDS MAY HAVE  
PROVEN TOO  
ANXIOUS BY ATTEMPT-  
ING TO FACE MAMMOTH  
DIRECTLY...

...BUT AT  
LEAST WE'RE  
FREE TO PLAN  
A COUNTER  
ATTACK!



A PLAN ISN'T  
NEEDED, IT'S POWER!  
AND NO ONE HAS  
THE POWER TO  
STOP MOGHL!

DON'T BE TOO  
SURE! THIS UNIVERSE  
PLAYS HOST TO PHE-  
NOMENA A YOUNG  
BOY LIKE YOU COULD  
SCARCELY IMAGINE!



TECHNICALLY  
THE BOY IS CORRECT--  
NO ONE HAS THE  
POWER TO CHALLENGE  
THE PHENOM I HAVE  
BECOME...

**SHAKOON**

FORGET  
PLANNING  
OR POWER...  
**EVERYONE  
SCATTER!**





...THE POWER TO  
VISUALIZE REALITY WITH  
A **SIXTH SENSE**, FUNC-  
TIONING AS A HOMING  
BEACON-- TO DIRECT AND  
DELIVER DEATH!

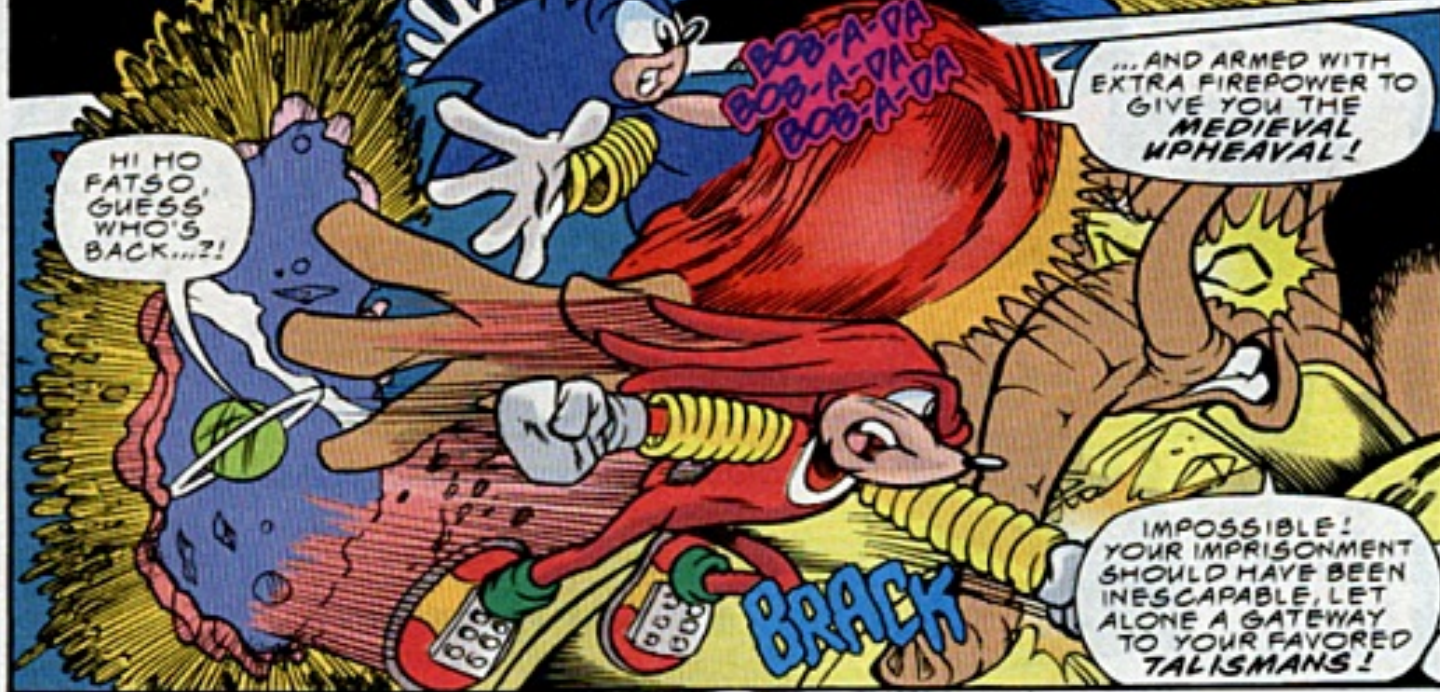


ACTUALLY, WE'RE  
OF THE OPINION THAT YOU  
HAVE A "SICK SENSE OF  
REALITY"...



...AND THAT THE TWO  
OF US ARE NEEDED TO  
KNOCK SOME SENSE  
INTO YOU!

RIGHT NOW, I'M BETTING  
HE WISHES WE KEPT OUR  
**TWO CENTS** TO OURSELVES!



HI HO  
FATSO,  
GUESS  
WHO'S  
BACK...?!

...AND ARMED WITH  
EXTRA FIREPOWER TO  
GIVE YOU THE  
**MEDIEVAL  
WHEEVAL!**

IMPOSSIBLE!  
YOUR IMPRISONMENT  
SHOULD HAVE BEEN  
INESCAPABLE, LET  
ALONE A GATEWAY  
TO YOUR FAVORED  
**TALISMANS!**



SMALL CONSEQUENCE. *SUPPOSEDLY*, THE BIO-ENHANCEMENT OF POWER RINGS PALES WHEN COMPARED TO CHAOS EMERALDS.

UGH! I THINK HE MAY BE RIGHT!

ASH! THAT REMAINS TO BE SEEN

ZARK

...BUT THIS TIME IT WILL BE FROM THE MORTAL PLANE!

SONIC! KNUCKLES! **NO!**

REGARDLESS OF HOW YOU OBTAINED THE RINGS AND RETURNED TO THIS PLANE, BY MY WILL, YOU ONCE AGAIN DEPART...

WHAT?! THEY SEEM TO BATHE IN MY ENERGY, ALMOST ABSORB IT LIKE I DID DIMITRI'S!

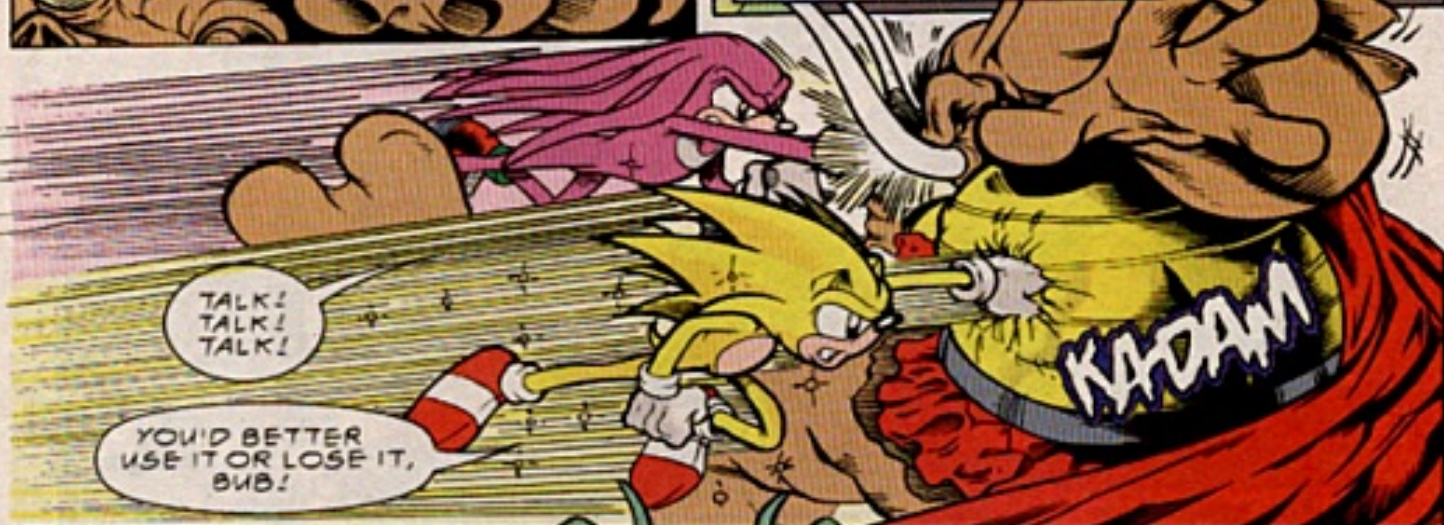
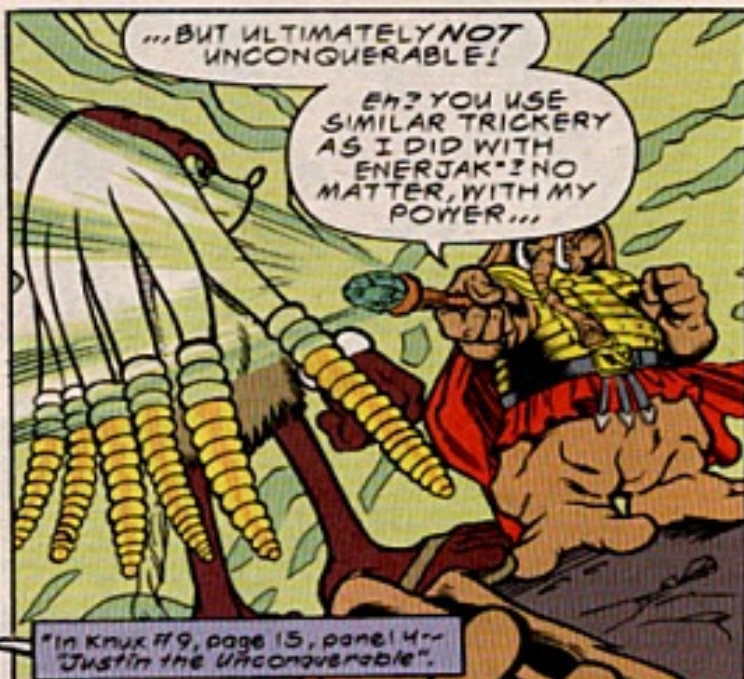
THAT'S RIGHT! NOW WE FINALLY UNDERSTAND THE **REAL** REASON WE LUGGED BACK THESE POWER RINGS!

YUP! FIFTY POWER RINGS EACH, COMBINED WITH YOUR ENERGY OF TWELVE CHAOS EMERALDS IS MORE THAN ENOUGH POWER TO HERALD THE TRIUMPHANT RETURN OF...











HEY!

LOOK!

YES, IT'S TRUE--MY  
CANE WAS MERELY A  
**MECHANICAL CON-  
STRUCT**, A RUSE EN-  
ABLING ME TO SAFEGUARD  
MY **REAL CHAOS  
EMERALD!**

"HOW WONDERFUL...  
THAT A FREAK ACCI-  
DENT OF MILLENNIUM  
PAST..."

"...WEIGHING HEAVY  
UPON MY **BREAST**,  
YET GRIPPING THE  
DEPTHS OF MY SOUL..."

"...SHOULD GRANT ME  
POWER AND IMMOR-  
TALITY THAT WOULD  
DELIVER ME..."

"...UNTO THIS GLORIOUS  
DAY WHERE **TWELVE CHAOTIC  
SIBLINGS** PERFORM IN UNISON  
TO CREATE..."

AN  
EARTH-  
QUAKE!

MAKE THAT  
FLOATING  
ISLAND  
QUAKE!





Ha! Ha! NOT  
A SIMPLE OUAKE,  
BUT CONTROL AND  
MOBILIZATION  
OF THE VERY  
ISLAND ITSELF!

JUST ONE OF  
MANY PHASES IN A  
MASTER PLAN  
UNFATHOMABLE BY  
LOWER EVOLUTIONARY  
FILTH SUCH AS  
YOURSELVES!



THANK GOOD-  
NESS THEY'RE  
STILL IN ONE  
PIECE-- BUT WHERE'S  
TAILS?!

WGH! I DON'T  
KNOW! HE DIDN'T  
MAKE IT BACK!

AKK! SOMEHOW,  
HE MUST'VE GOTTEN  
LOST ON THE ROAD  
HOME!

INCOMING,  
AGAIN!



WORRY NOT FOR A  
FALLEN COMRADE-- IN-  
STEAD, MOURN FOR  
TWO WHO ARE ABOUT  
TO REACH THE END OF  
THEIR VERY MORTAL  
LIFESPAN!

GET REAL,  
MAMMOTH  
MORON!







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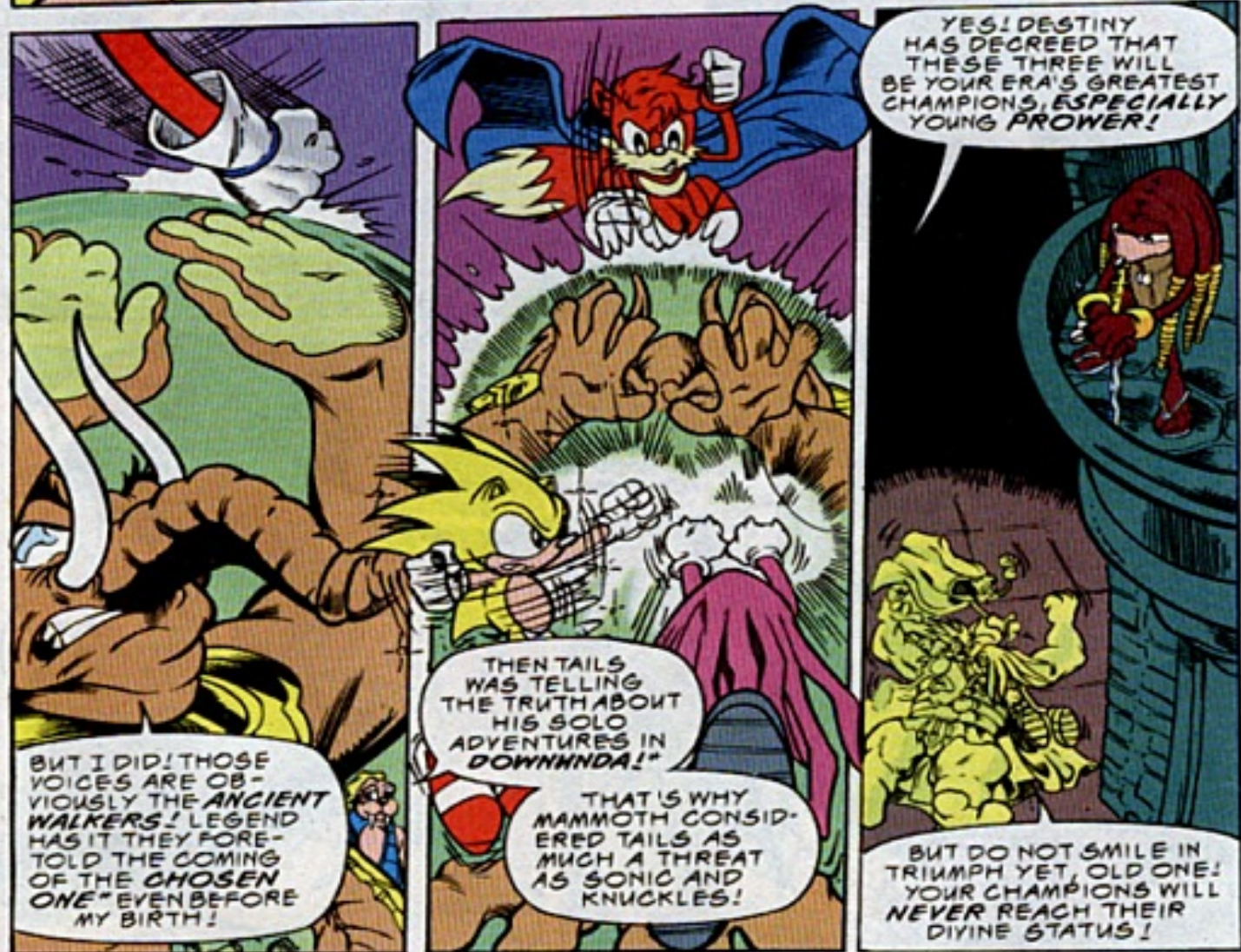
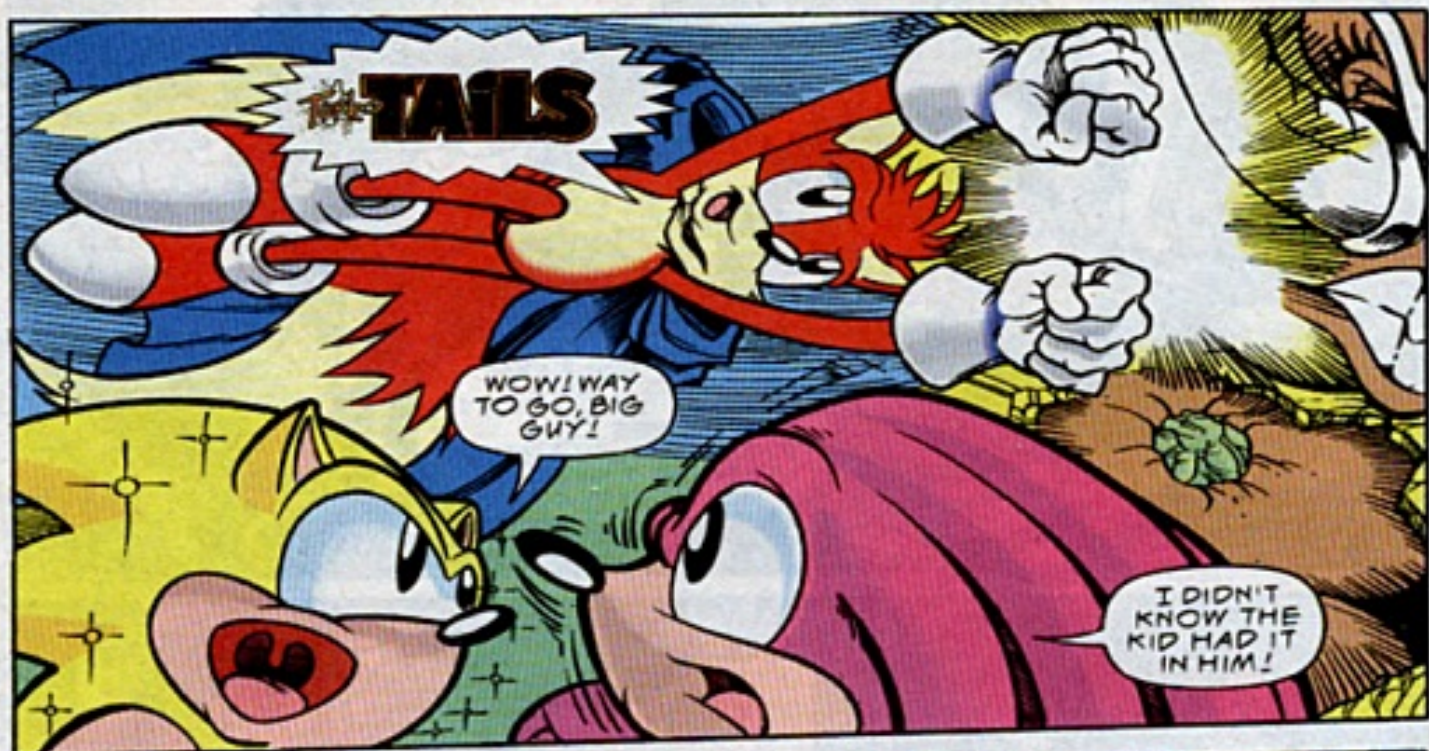
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FOR IT HAS EVER  
BEEN TOLD SINCE  
ANCIENT TIMES THAT  
THE POWER OF A  
TITAN ALWAYS PALED  
BEFORE THAT OF A  
GOD...

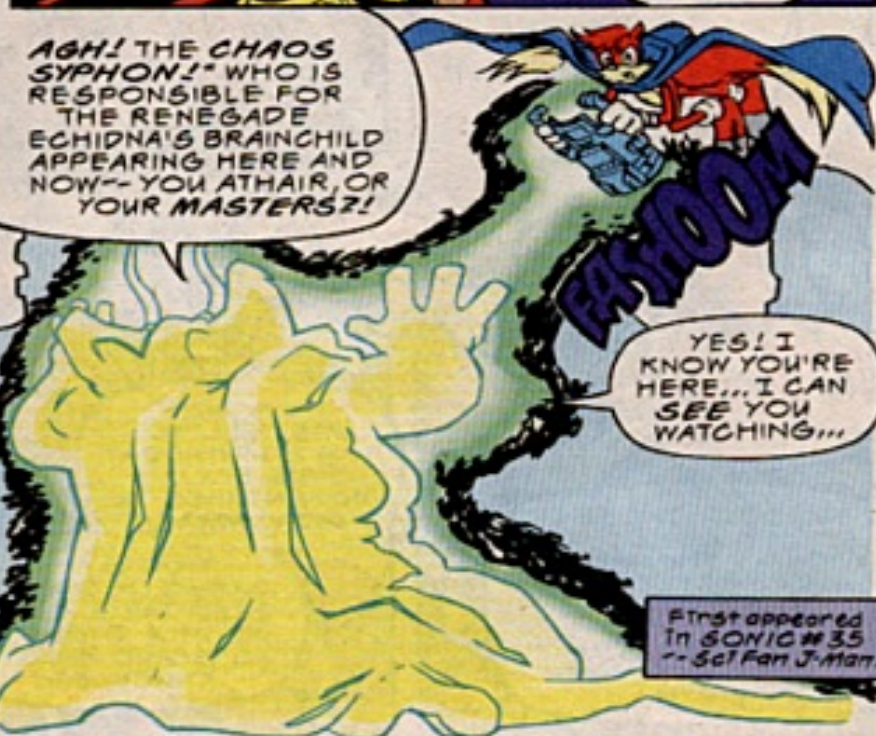


...AND WHAT  
ELSE WOULD  
YOU CALL AN  
IMMORTAL  
OVERLORD LIKE  
ME? UNLIKE  
DIMITRI, I  
HAVE MASTERED  
MY CHAOTIC  
STRENGTHS  
AND INTEND  
TO...



Y'KNOW, KINDA  
FUNNY HOW YOU  
SHOULD MENTION  
THE "BLACK SHEEP"  
OF KNUCKLES'  
FAMILY!

I... KNOW...  
WHAT... THAT...  
IS...



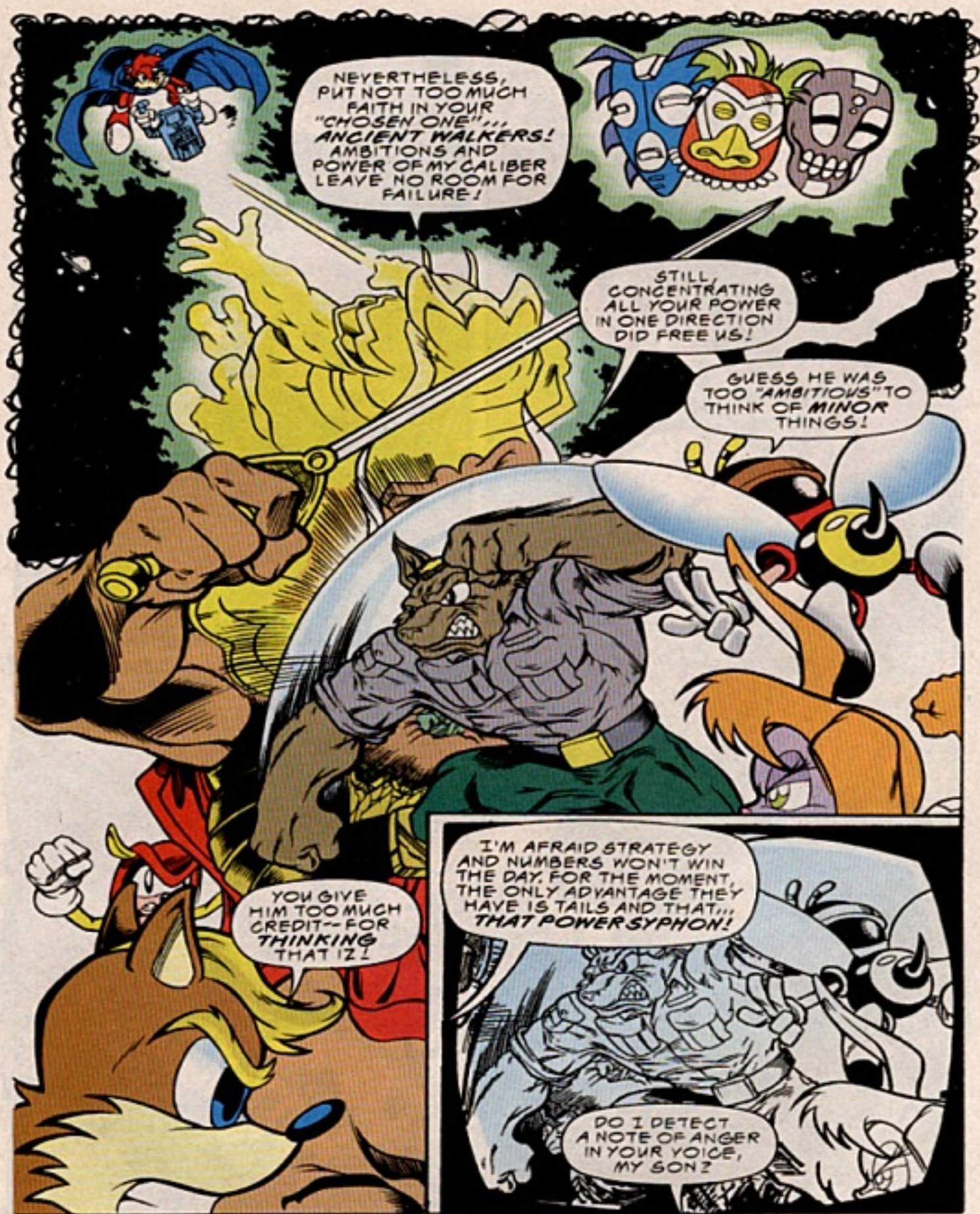
AGH! THE CHAOS  
SYPHON! WHO IS  
RESPONSIBLE FOR  
THE RENEGADE  
ECHIDNA'S BRAINCHILD  
APPEARING HERE AND  
NOW-- YOU AT HAIL, OR  
YOUR MASTERS?

**FASHOON**

YES! I  
KNOW YOU'RE  
HERE... I CAN  
SEE YOU  
WATCHING...

First appeared  
in SONIC #35  
-- Set For J-Mary.







WHETHER IT'S  
THE PLAN OF ATHAIR  
OR THE ANCIENT  
WALKER'S, I APPLAUD  
ITS LOGIC...

...BUT YOU'RE  
THE ONE USED TO  
WORKING COVERTLY,  
LEAVING YOUR  
INTERVENTION A  
MYSTERY!

SORT OF  
UNSETTLING  
WHEN SOME-  
ONE ELSE  
DOES IT TO  
YOU, EH?

PERHAPS, BUT  
THEY ALWAYS  
MOVED IN  
DIFFERENT "COSMIC"  
CIRCLES. MY REAL  
CONCERN IS THAT  
WITH A CRISIS OF  
SUCH MAGNITUDE...

"...WHEN DO  
WE MAKE  
OUR MOVE?"

ARRGH! I WILL  
COMPENSATE FOR  
YOUR INTERFERENCE,  
ANCIENT WALKERS!  
CHAOTIC ENERGIES  
CAN ACT AS A HOMING  
BEACON...

...AND "LIKE"  
POWERS WILL  
SEEK THEIR  
BRETHREN!

WHAT'S  
HE MEAN?  
WHAT'S HE  
DOING?

KATHOOTE





HE'S GOING  
FOR MY ISLAND'S  
CHAOS EMERALDS  
IN THE **CHAOS**  
**CHAMBER!** AFTER  
HIM!



HAH! HOW CAN  
YOU MEASURE THE  
LIMITLESS POWER  
OF ONE **DOZEN**  
WHEN IT IS ACCOM-  
PANIED BY THE  
LIMITLESS POWER  
OF **TWO** MORE!



SUFFICE TO  
SAY, IT'S POWER  
ENOUGH TO  
DEAL WITH ANY  
MECHANICAL  
CONSTRUCT, NO  
MATTER HOW WELL  
DESIGNED!



STOP  
HIM BEFORE  
HE USES  
THEIR...

**KRA-KOW**

...AS  
ILLUSTRATED!

AMAZING! THEIR  
ULTIMATE FORMS  
FULLY PROTECTED  
THEM!

WHILE YOU MAY BE  
PROUD THAT YOUR SON  
IS THE **ONLY** GUARDIAN  
TO EVER ACHIEVE THAT  
FORM...





I KNOW, IT  
STILL PALES BEFORE  
TOTAL MASTERY  
OF AN EMERALD'S  
ENERGIES!



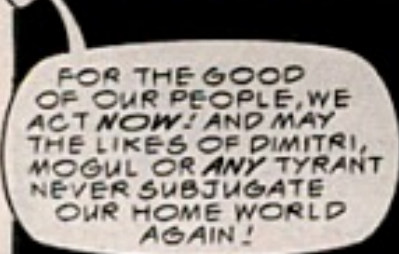
THAT IS SOMETHING  
THAT NOT EVEN MAMMOTH  
CAN CLAIM THIS DAY, NOR  
DIMITRI BEFORE HIM!



YES, BUT AT LEAST  
BEING ABLE TO UNLOCK  
SOME OF THEIR SECRETS  
MAY STILL WIN THE DAY!

TRUE! NONE SAY  
THE ANCIENT WALKERS  
CAN CLAIM THAT  
RIGHT!

I GET YOUR  
POINT. HEREIN  
LIES THE  
ANSWER TO MY  
PREVIOUS  
QUESTION...



FOR THE GOOD  
OF OUR PEOPLE, WE  
ACT NOW! AND MAY  
THE LIKES OF DIMITRI,  
MOGUL OR ANY TYRANT  
NEVER SUBJUGATE  
OUR HOME WORLD  
AGAIN!





**DAWN SETTLES OVER ECHIDNAOPOLIS WITH THE LANDSCAPE REVEALING THE STRESS OF SEVERE CONFLICT...**



**GAZING UPON THE BATTLE RAVAGED EDIFICES, IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT ANYBODY COULD CALL THIS DAY VICTORIOUS.**

**BUT NEVERTHELESS, A VICTORY OF SORTS HAS BEEN ACHIEVED...**



WE STILL DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT CAUSED THAT CHAOTIC EXPLOSION, BUT AT LEAST OUR **SHPER** FORMS SAVED OUR HIDES!

SAYS YOU! I THINK THE EXPLOSION CHANGED US BACK, BUT SOMETHING OTHER THAN OUR **HYPER** FORMS SAVED OUR BUTTS!

AND YOU BELIEVE THAT, COMBINED WITH THE MYSTERIOUS DISTRESS CALL TO YOUR FRIENDS\* TRANSLATES TO OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE?

SOUNDS LOGICAL TO ME!

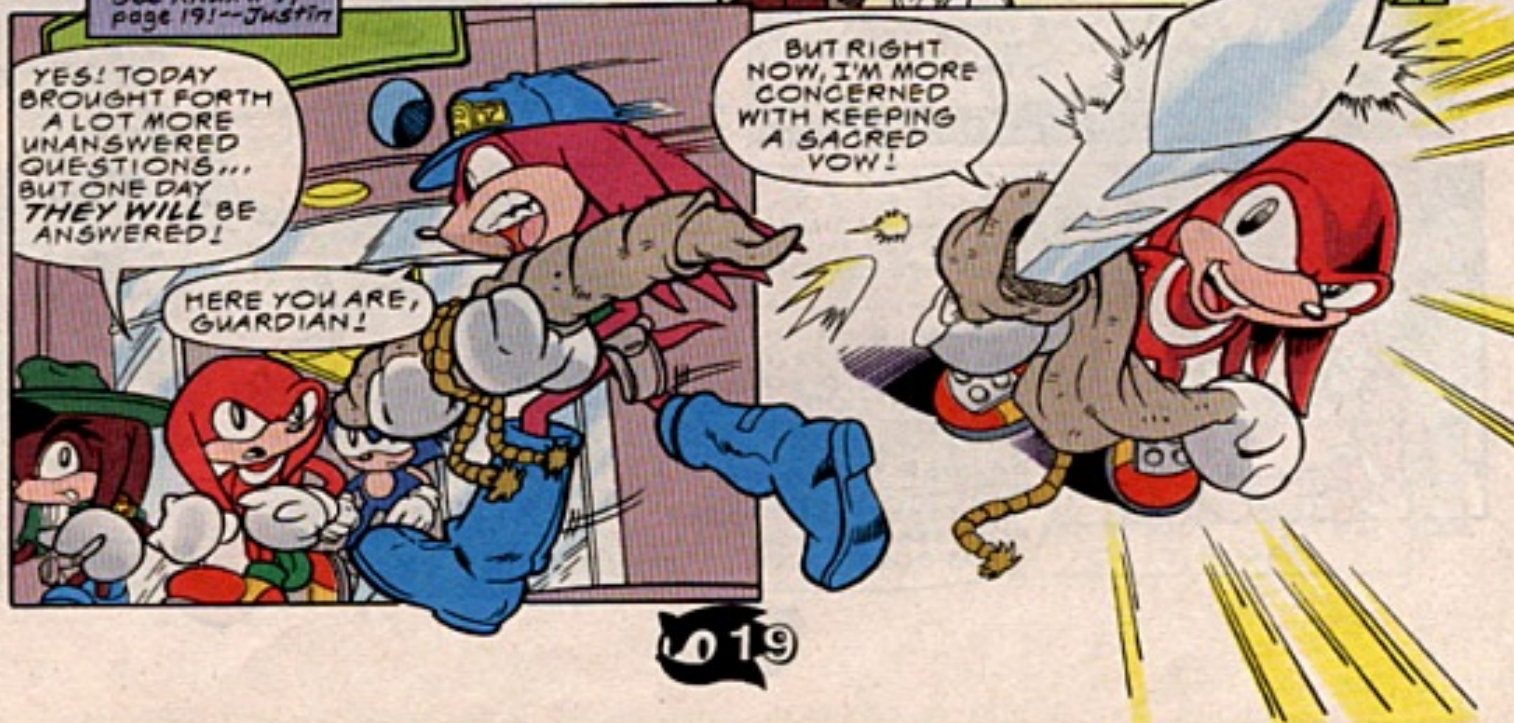


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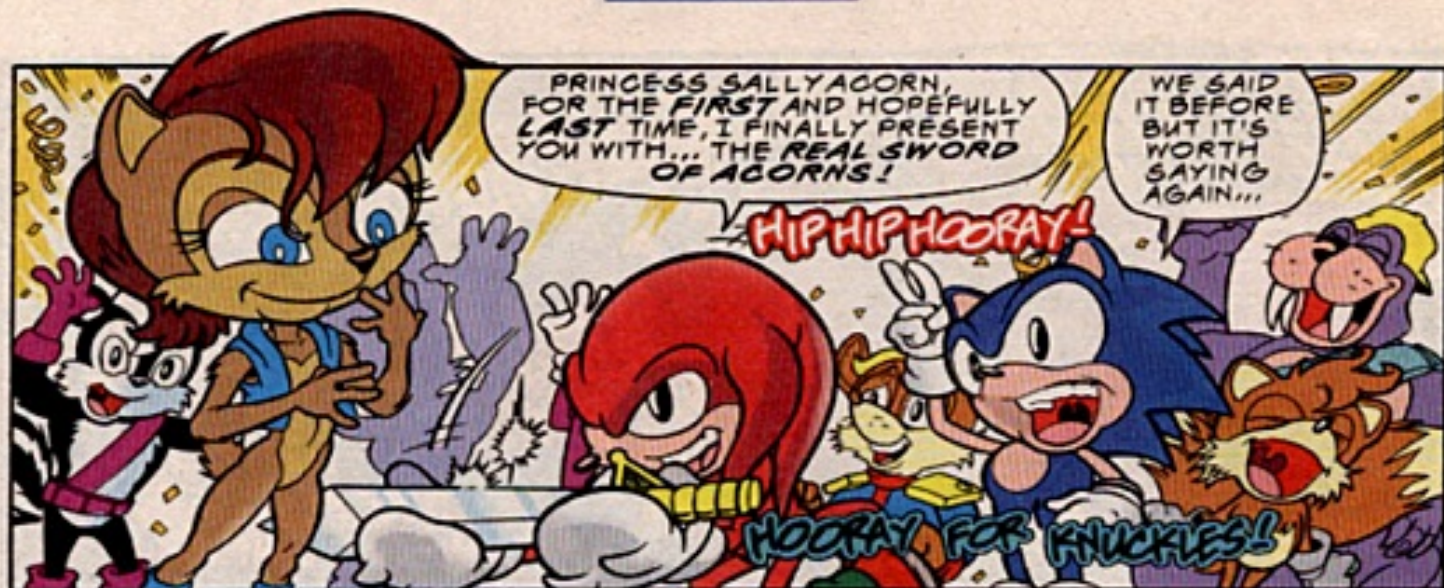
YES! TODAY BROUGHT FORTH A LOT MORE UNANSWERED QUESTIONS... BUT ONE DAY **THEY WILL** BE ANSWERED!

HERE YOU ARE, GUARDIAN!

BUT RIGHT NOW, I'M MORE CONCERNED WITH KEEPING A SACRED VOW!







LATER THAT DAY TWO KINDRED SPIRITS WHO HAVE BEEN BOTH ENEMIES AND UNEASY ALLIES FINALLY RECONCILE THEIR DIFFERENCES...

THANKS FOR THE OVERNIGHT HOSPITALITY! WE'VE CERTAINLY COME A WAY SINCE THE DAYS OF BEATING ON EACH OTHER!

Hah! WASN'T THAT LONG AGO! WE SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE BEEN ON THE SAME SIDE--

~WE WERE JUST TOO HEADSTRONG TO KNOW IT!

YUP, WE'RE A LOT ALIKE-- WE BOTH LIKE TO CHAMPION A CAUSE, PROTECT INNOCENTS AND FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT!

AND DON'T FORGET THE ACTION AND THRILL OF BEING ON THE EDGE! IT'S WHAT WE LIVE FOR!

WHICH GOES BACK TO YOUR EARLIER POINT-- WITH OUR HOMES FACING SO MANY CHANGES, YOU THINK GUYS LIKE US ARE OUT OF A JOB?

EXACTLY! THERE'S NO PLACE FOR US IN ORGANIZED SOCIETY! AND I GOTTA TELL YA, REBUILDING A CITY IS NOT MY THING, C'MON! WE NEED TO FIND SOME MORE MAD DICTATORS TO TRASH! EVEN THOUGH ROBUTNIK IS GONE HIS SUB-BOSSSES AREN'T!



SORRY, BUT NO CAN DO!  
THE FLOATING ISLAND HAS  
GONE THROUGH SOME  
EXTREME CHANGES IN THE  
PAST WEEKS, AND ESPECIALLY  
TODAY!

CHANGES THAT, WHOEVER  
IS RESPONSIBLE, BE IT ATHAIR,  
THE ANCIENT WALKERS OR  
ANOTHER FORCE NEVER DREAMT  
WOULD HAPPEN!

AS OF RIGHT  
NOW, THE FLOATING  
ISLAND IS NO  
LONGER POWERED  
BY A SINGLE CHAOS  
EMERALD WITH A  
SPARE, AND THE  
THREAT OF MAMMOTH  
MOGUL ISN'T FULLY  
GONE!

THE EXPLOSION  
DIDN'T DESTROY HIM!  
INSTEAD IT EXPLODED  
HIM AND MY ISLAND'S  
TWO EMERALDS!

HE MAY NOT BE  
RUNNING AROUND, BUT  
HIS LIFE FORCE LIVES  
ON IN A COMATOSE  
STATE!

"AND IF HE SHOULD  
ONE DAY BE RESTORED  
TO NORMAL, THAT  
MIGHT SPELL THE END  
OF MY HOME!"



"THAT'S 'CAUSE THE FLOATING ISLAND IS NOW POWERED BY ONE GIANT CHAOS EMERALD A LIVING CHAOS EMERALD!"

"A POWER BATTERY MADE UP OF FOURTEEN EMERALDS WITH MAMMOTH MOGUL'S LIFE ESSENCE AT THE VERY CENTER!"

"RIGHT NOW, ONE OF OUR MOST FEARED ENEMIES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING MY HOME WORLD BY KEEPING THIS ISLAND AFLOAT!"

"FOR BETTER OR WORSE, MY PLACE IS HERE!"

WHAT'S UP, SONIC? DON'T TELL ME YOU HAD ANOTHER FIGHT WITH KNUCKLES?

NOPE, JUST BUSY WITH SOMETHING I USUALLY DON'T DO -- A LOT OF THINKING!

SO, YOU REALLY ARE THE "CHOSEN ONE", DESTINED TO BE A HERO GREATER THAN KNUCKLES AND ME?!

I SHOULD BE JEALOUS! BUT Y'KNOW I'M REALLY PROUD OF YOU!

THANKS! I GUESS I HAVE A LOT TO THINK ABOUT MYSELF, BUT RIGHT NOW I JUST MISS MY TURBO POWER!

I THINK LIKE ME, YOU JUST REALLY MISS THE CHANCE TO HELP THE "LITTLE GUY"! KNUX MAY HAVE DECLINED, BUT HOW ABOUT YOU, BIG GUY? UP FOR SOME REAL ADVENTURES AS YOU GROW INTO YOUR MANTLE OF SAVIOR?

HOW ABOUT YOU? UP FOR SOME SOLO ADVENTURES OF YOUR FAVORITE DUO? TUNE IN NEXT MONTH WHEN SONIC AND TAILS HIT THE ROAD TO ADVENTURE!



# SONIC-GRAMS

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## THIS JUST IN!

### MOBOTROPOLIS... IN CIVIL WAR??

IN TWO WEEKS: AS OUR HEROES TRAVEL BACK HOME, THINGS HAVE GONE FROM BAD TO WORSE. IN THE ABSENCE OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS, KING ACORN'S NEW EDICT HAS BEEN ISSUED: "DISMANTLE ALL ROBIANS!" WITH BATTLE LINES DRAWN STRAIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE BETWEEN KING ACORN AND UNCLE CHUCK, THE QUESTION REMAINS... WHO WILL SONIC AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS SIDE WITH? THIS ONE MUST NOT BE MISSED. STORY BY KARL BOLLERS WITH ART BY SAM MAXWELL AND PAM EKLOUND. PLUS: THE ONE STORY YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR: HOW DID BUNNIE AND ANTOINE ESCAPE CROCBOT'S CLUTCHES? THIS ISSUE CONTAINS THE ANSWER. STORY BY MIKE GALLAGHER, ART CHORES BY NELSON ORTEGA AND PAM EKLOUND. **SONIC SUPER SPECIAL#4: "RETURN OF THE KING" ON SALE JANUARY 1998!**

NEXT MONTH: WITNESS THE PAST UNFOLD

AS SONIC AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS REMINISCE ABOUT TIMES GONE BY...

...THE JOY, THE SADNESS, THE LOSSES AND THE VICTORIES! THIS STORY IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY KARL BOLLERS, ART MAYHURNEY AND JIM AMASH. **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #57 ON SALE LATE JANUARY 1998!**

IN OTHER SEGA NEWS... IN

ONE WEEK: CONTINUING THE STORY BASED ON THE HIT SEGA VIDEO GAME COMES **NIGHTS INTO DREAMS #2 (OF 3)!** FOLLOWING THE EXPLOITS OF ELLIOT EDWARDS AND CLARIS SINCLAIR, TWO KIDS FROM THE CITY OF TWIN SEEDS THAT SHARE THE RARE ABILITY TO MELD WITH A CREATURE OF DREAMS CALLED NIGHTS! TOGETHER, THEY HOPE TO DEFEAT WIZEMAN AND HIS EVIL NIGHTMARE. BUT WILL THEY BE ENOUGH TO SAVE THE WORLD FROM BECOMING ONE HUGE NIGHTMARE? WRITTEN BY DAN SLOTT WITH ART BY SPAZ, MANNY AND HARVO. DON'T MISS IT! **ON SALE JANUARY 1998!**

AND IN THREE WEEKS: JOIN KNUCKLES ON A QUEST FOR THE FABLED "LOST TRIBE OF ECHIDNAS." BUT HE DOES NOT MAKE THIS JOURNEY ALONE. TO HELP HIM IN HIS QUEST IS HIS GREAT-GRANDFATHER... THE EVER-MYSTERIOUS ATHAIR! IT'S EVERYTHING KNUX FANS EXPECT AND MORE FROM STORYTELLERS KEN PENDERS, MANNY GALAN AND ANDREW PEPOY! **KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #10 ON SALE JANUARY 1998!**



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CATCH YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE!

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NOTES DUE TO AN OVERWHELMING AMOUNT OF EMAIL, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO REPLY PERSONALLY TO EACH AND EVERY MESSAGE. HOWEVER, YOUR OPINIONS ARE IMPORTANT TO US AND EACH MESSAGE WILL BE READ.  
**THANKS FOR UNDERSTANDING**



**I'M STARING AT A PILE OF MAIL THAT HAS SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #49 WRITTEN ALL OVER IT. HERE ARE A FEW EXCERPTS...**

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

I'M REALLY CAUGHT UP IN THIS "END GAME" SERIES. ONE THING I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS WHY ST. JOHN CAN'T FIGURE OUT THAT SONIC HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH PRINCESS SALLY'S DEATH. OH, AND DON'T EVEN GET ME STARTED ON THAT DRAGO DUDE. THAT NO GOOD TRAITOR TREATS HERSHEY SO BAD. I CAN'T WAIT FOR THAT WIMP TO GET HIS. IF I WERE THERE I'D KICK HIS TAIL BUT GOOD! I HOPE FANS HAVE NOT LOST FAITH IN SONIC. I KNOW EVENTUALLY HE'LL COME OUT ON TOP.

BILL LUTZ (AGE 24)  
CHICAGO, IL

**I'M GLAD YOU'RE ENJOYING THE "END GAME" SERIES. HOPE YOU ENJOYED WATCHING DRAGO GET HIS IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #50 BY HERSHEY HERSELF. AGAIN THANK YOU FOR KEEPING THE FAITH. YOU FANS ARE THE BEST!**

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

I LOVE SONIC COMICS. MY FAVORITE CHARACTERS ARE SONIC, KNUCKLES AND TAILS. I HAVE "END GAME" PARTS 2 & 3 AND I WANT TO KNOW HOW KING ACORN BECAME HALF-CRYSTAL?

ZAIN MUSSAIN  
KARACHI, PAKISTAN

**AS EXPLAINED BY THE KING HIMSELF IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #53, THE POWER TO TURN TO CRYSTAL AND BACK AGAIN WAS GIVEN TO HIM BY IXIS NAUGUS. ONCE HE LEFT THE ZONE OF SILENCE, HE COULD NO LONGER CONTROL IT AND THE CRYSTALLIZATION STARTED TO CONSUME HIS BODY.**

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

I LOVE YOUR COMIC. I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY IN SUSAN HATFIELD'S LETTER SHE WROTE ABOUT HOW SALLY AND

KNUCKLES SHOULDN'T GET TOGETHER. WELL, I THINK THY WOULD MAKE A GREAT COUPLE. MAYBE SONIC COULD GET TO KNOW LUPE OR HERSHEY. ANYWAY, I KNOW SALLY'S NOT DEAD. THE FACT THAT DUCK WOULDN'T GIVE UNCLE CHUCK THE FINAL MEDICAL REPORT GAVE IT AWAY FOR ME. CAN'T WAIT FOR THE NEXT ISSUE!

NICOLE FOGLIA (AGE 12)  
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI

**WHAT DO MEAN SALLY AND KNUCKLES WOULD MAKE A GREAT COUPLE? I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW SALLY THINKS I'M THE CAT'S MEOW (AT LEAST I THINK SHE DOES).**

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

I'VE BEEN READING SONIC COMICS FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS NOW AND THE STORIES HAVE BEEN COOL! AND THEN SUDDENLY I BOUGHT YOUR LATEST INSTALLMENT THE "END GAME" SERIES AND IT'S SO AWESOME. I'M TOTALLY BLOWN AWAY. 1) NOW IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN AMY ROSE (THE PINK HEDGEHOG IN THE ORANGE SKIRT WHOSE FIRST APPEARANCE WAS IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #25) APPEARED IN THE SONIC CD GAME, RIGHT? 2) ROSIE, SALLY'S OLD NANNY, WHO CAME FROM THE ANIMATED SERIES, IS WHAT KIND OF ANIMAL? 3) IT SAYS THE NEXT ISSUE SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #50 IS CALLED "THE BIG GOODBYE!" THIS DOESN'T MEAN THAT SONIC #50 IS THE LAST ISSUE, CAN IT? I HOPE NOT!

RAY HARGREAVES  
SALEM, OR

**HEY, RAY, WUZ UP?? 1) YES, YOU ARE CORRECT. AMY ROSE DID APPEAR IN SONIC CD OF WHICH SONIC #25 WAS AN ADAPTATION OF. 2) ROSIE IS A WOODCHUCK AS WAS HER COUSIN AND SALLY'S MENTOR, JULAYLA (WHO PASSED AWAY IN SONIC #18). 3) AS YOU CAN SEE, SONIC #50 WAS NOT THE LAST ISSUE. EVEN THOUGH ROBOTNIK HAS FINALLY BEEN DEFEATED AFTER TEN YEARS OF HIS TYRANNY, THINGS ARE FAR FROM BEING FIXED. AND WITH NEW VILLAINS CROPPING UP TO TAKE ROBOTNIK'S PLACE, A HEDGEHOG'S WORK IS NEVER DONE.**



DEAR SONIC,

MY NAME IS STEPHANIE GRAY FROM BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA AND I READ ALL YOUR COMICS. I'VE A FEW QUESTIONS TO ASK YOU... 1) IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #49, WHAT WAS THE STUFF YOU THREW FROM YOUR SHOE? 2) DID YOU KNOW THAT KING ACORN WAS A ROBOT? 3) WHY DON'T YOU AND KNUCKLES GET ALONG?

STEPHANIE GRAY  
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**WHAT'S UP STEPHANIE GRAY FROM BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA. YOU SEE ANY 'ROOS LATELY? THANKS FOR READING ALL MY COMICS. MAKES A HEDGEHOG FEEL GOOD YOU KNOW. IF YOU CAN, CHECK OUT KNUCKLES' BOOK OR OUR NEW ADDITION, NIGHTS INTO DREAMS! 1) THE STUFF IN MY SHOE WAS ALL THE DIRT I COLLECTED IN THERE SINCE I STARTED TO RUN IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #48. 2) I KNEW SOMETHING WAS UP WITH KING ACORN BUT I HAD NO IDEA ROBOTNIK WAS BEHIND IT. 3) IF YOU READ SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #53, YOU KNOW THAT ME AND THE RAD RED BURIED THE HATCHET.**

**UNTIL NEXT  
MONTH,  
KEEP  
ON JUICIN'?**